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Applicant informs the Office of the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449. A copy of each listed reference is enclosed.

Applicant has not received a first Office Action on the merits, and therefore submits that this Statement is timely under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

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Applicant wishes to make the Examiner aware of copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/268,916 filed March 16, 1999 by Hatfield entitled "Dosimetric Package and Methods of Making and Characterizing Same" owned by the same entity as the present application and containing some similar subject matter as the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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